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**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM**

(For members seeking reappointment to a City of Rockville Board or Commission)

Name: JON H. OBERG

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Work Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Note: Work phone numbers are only for staff use)

Name of current Board (or Commission): TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION

Please complete the following:

How long have you served on this Board or Commission?

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Why do you wish to be considered for reappointment by the Mayor and Council?

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What other information should be considered for your reappointment? (Examples: Ways in which you have personally contributed to the work of the Board or Commission; leadership roles you have held on behalf of the work of the group such as chair, head of a committee or task force)

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Please attach an updated resume or additional information (Optional)

Please indicate here ☒ yes or ☐ no whether or not the City may give elected officials who serve Rockville (other than the Mayor and Council) your name and address. This information will not be used for any fundraising or campaign mailings. No phone numbers will be given.

Please submit this information to: Mayor and Council c/o City Clerk's Office, 111 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20850. 240-314-8280

Thank you!

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**Why do you wish to be re-appointed by the Mayor and Council?**

I would like to complete work on projects I have been involved in, some of which I initiated:

- Ensuring that the T & T Commission reviews the County accident reconstruction reports of traffic accident fatalities in Rockville. It is essential that a citizens' panel go over these reports to see how future accidents can be prevented. The history of such reviews shows that a citizens' panel sometimes sees what traffic engineers may miss or not want to acknowledge. *This review process needs to be institutionalized* rather than conducted ad hoc. (!) Lives can be saved! It is beyond the pale that the true cause of accidents sometimes remains obscured and beyond the reach of citizens to remedy.
- Reviewing pushbutton operations at intersections, to ensure that they do not harm rather than rather than help the cause of pedestrian safety. Pedestrian countdown signals should be automatic unless the pushbutton is necessary to stop traffic or increase the time a pedestrian has to cross. *Many Rockville intersections need to be converted to automatic countdowns to provide pedestrians real-time knowledge of when it is safe to cross.*
- Completing the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) plan for Rockville. I wrote the first draft of the principles for the T & T Commission, which have not yet been implemented.
- Improving bike and pedestrian connectivity in Rockville. I have been involved in attempting to get connections to and through Montgomery College, including identification of the City property within the campus (for designation of a smoking area) that should be *the key to re-opening access at Princeton Place and preventing the fencing adjacent to Scarborough Square.*

**What other information should be considered for your re-appointment? (Examples: ways in which you have personally contributed to the work of the Commission; leadership roles you have held on behalf of the work of the group such as chair.)**

I was chair of the T & T Commission from 2005-2007, when the Mayor and Council gave the Commission additional powers over Permit Parking and the Comprehensive Transportation Review (CTR) of the APFO. Those additions have worked out well.

During my tenure as chair, I don't believe the Commission ever lacked a quorum to conduct its business.

I have actively participated in many committees and processes on behalf of the T & T Commission, including Shady Grove Sector planning, Rockville Pike Corridor planning, the County pedestrian safety committee, the Rockville Bicycle Advisory Committee, and many others. I am retired and often have time to get involved in such efforts.

I would like to serve one more term on T & T and then volunteer for a different board or commission, such as the Sister City Commission (*ich kann Deutsch*) or the Environment Commission.



Jon H. Oberg

Rockville, Maryland 20850

**RÉSUMÉ**  
**SUMMARY**

- Master's and Doctorate (*cum laude*) in political science
- College and university association president (AICUN)
- Graduate and undergraduate teaching (UMd, GMU, TSU)
- U.S. Department of Education, GS-15 (OLCA; OERI; IES)
- State of Nebraska chief fiscal officer; Nebraska director of planning
- Legislative director in U.S. Senate (Sen. J. James Exon, D-Neb)
- Research published in refereed journals

**CAREER**  
**LOOK-BACK**

Retired since '05; currently a resource in higher education finance

Wrote chapters on finance and equity for 2007 OECD report on higher education in the Netherlands; testified on U.S. higher education at the invitation of the U.S. Senate, February, 2007; research work profiled in *New York Times*, May 7, 2007, p.1.

Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education, to '05

Office of Legislation, U.S. Department of Education, to '01

George Mason University; Troy State University, to '94

Taught Public Finance, Research Methods, Survey of Public Administration, Intergovernmental Relations, Governmental Budgeting, and Governmental Planning (Strategic Planning) for the European and Atlantic Regions of TSU's Master of Public Administration (MPA) program; taught Quantitative Research Methods in Public Administration for GMU's MPA program.)

President, Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Nebraska, to '89

Legislative Director and Administrative Assistant, U.S. Senator J. James Exon, to '84

Director of Administrative Services, State of Nebraska (Chief State Fiscal Officer), '78

Director, Nebraska State Office of Planning and Programming, to '78

Senior Executive Budget and Management Analyst, State of Nebraska, to '76

Budget Analyst, State of Nebraska, to '74

University of Maryland, Instructor (Political Science, European Division), to '71

U.S. Naval Officer (USS Rainier; USS Arlington; DCA Europe), '66-'70

**EDUCATION**

Doctor of Philosophy, *Freie Universität Berlin, Fachbereich Politische Wissenschaft*

Master of Arts, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Department of Political Science

Bachelor of Arts, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Department of Psychology

- *Cum laude* dissertation and *Disputation*, FU Berlin; Graduate Assistant, UNL;
- Undergraduate scholastic honorary, UNL.

**SELECTED**  
**PUBLICATIONS**

[2007] "Thematic Review of Tertiary Education: The Netherlands," Paris: OECD.

[1997] "Testing Federal Student-Aid Fungibility in Two Competing Versions of Federalism," *Publius, The Journal of Federalism* (Winter 1997).

[1987] "Senators' Staffs: A Reflective View" in *Congress and Public Policy: A Source Book of Documents and Readings*, The Dorsey Series in Political Science, David Kozak and John D. McCartney, eds.

**PERSONAL**

- Family: widower; adult children in College Park, MD, and Berlin, Germany
- German Language Certification, FU Berlin; third generation Swedish-American
- Chairman, Rockville (MD) Traffic and Transportation Commission, '05-'07...
- King Farm Civic Award, '05; Board of Trustees '08-'09